

the shy visitor feel at ease. Later when she became crippled with arthritis no husband could have attended his wife in a more unselfish way.

To Mrs. Millard, and her family Mrs. Kirk Green and Dr. Antony Millard, all members of the Society send their deepest sympathy.

And now before closing this inadequate notice I must add a personal note. It was through Millard that I had the chance of going to Bombay and working for the Society which had great influences on my later career. It is difficult to describe the man himself, but we who worked under him in the old days, whether in the Society or Phipson & Co., Sir Reginald Spence, P. M. D. Sanderson and S. H. Prater all received innumerable kindnesses from him which cannot be told here. We all loved and admired him and now that he is gone we treasure the memory of his friendship.

NORMAN B. KINNEAR

E. H. N. LOWTHER

(Plate)

Ernest Herbert Newton Lowther, universally known to his friends and intimates as Bob Lowther, died suddenly on April 28th at his home at Burgess Hill in Sussex. He was born in India, being educated first in Simla and later in England at Bedford and Tonbridge schools. It was at the latter that his great love of nature first became evident and there, too, he was weaned by the great naturalist and photographer, Richard Kearton, from that usual boyhood pastime of egg-collecting to replace in its stead a passion for bird-photography. In 1911, after his return to India, where he followed in his father's footsteps in the service of the East Indian Railway, he took up with enthusiasm the photography of India's birds, an enthusiasm which later became a ruling force in his life, resulting in the fine work which for several years graced the pages of the *Journal* as well as the walls at a number of Exhibitions, and culminated in the publication of 'A Bird Photographer in India' and, in conjunction with the writer of this notice, of 'The Breeding Birds of Kashmir'. On his retirement from the railway in 1945 he had risen to be Divisional Superintendent at Lucknow, but it was while stationed at Allahabad and earlier in the Dhanbad area that he did much of what is probably his best work, making the most of his opportunities to photograph the birds of those districts made famous by Allan Octavian Hume. Bob Lowther had a great capacity for making friends and all who met him at once came under his spell. He was kindness and generosity personified and had a delightful sense of humour which was quite infectious. A story which he used to tell almost against himself was how the chairman at one of his nature lectures in India—who in fact was his chief—humorously introduced him to his audience with the words, 'I believe Mr. Lowther in his spare time is a railwayman'. Although he retired from India with impaired health after 34 years' service, his